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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Gregory M. Sleet  
United States District Court  
for the District of Delaware  
844 N. King Street  
Room 2124, Lockbox 19  
Wilmington, Delaware 19801

Re: *Dyson Technology Limited et al. v. Maytag Corporation*,  
Civil Action No. 05-434-GMS

Dear Judge Sleet:

The parties have filed, contemporaneously herewith, a stipulation and proposed order extending the time by which defendant must move, answer, or otherwise plead in response to the complaint. The proposed extension is for two weeks, which, if granted, would move the due date from July 18, 2005, to August 1, 2005.

Defendant respectfully submits that good cause exists for this extension due to a death in the immediate family of defendant's in-house patent counsel, resulting in in-house patent counsel's absence from his office from a time before the filing of the Complaint until late this week. Defendant further states that the absence of in-house patent counsel from his office has inhibited counsel's ability to engage in an appropriate investigation before responding to the Complaint.

Respectfully submitted,

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